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Notice of Availability and Public Meeting

for the

Draft Engineering Evaluation and Cost Analysis Beryllium Landfill, Site 7 Allegany Ballistics Laboratory, West Virginia

The Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Atlantic Division, announces the availability for public review of a Draft Engineering Evaluation and Cost Analysis (EE/CA) document, prepared for a removal action at the Beryllium Landfill, Site 7, at the Allegany Ballistics Laboratory (ABL) in Rocket Center, West Virginia.

The Site 7 removal action is a non-time-critical action. The Site 7 Beryllium Landfill materials have already been excavated and are currently stored in steel containers at ABL. The EE/CA compares and evaluates three alternatives for removing and disposing of the landfill materials. These alternatives are evaluated on the basis of their technical feasibility, their effectiveness in protecting human health and preventing potential releases to the environment, and their cost. A preferred removal alternative is identified.

The EE/CA document is intended to fulfill requirements for environmental review and public participation for non-time-critical removal actions, in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA), the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan (NCP), and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

The 30-day public review period for the Draft EE/CA begins on December 5, 1995 and ends on January 4, 1996. The Draft EE/CA and supporting documents are available for public review at the following locations:

- LaVale Public Library, 815 National Highway, La Vale, Maryland; library hours are 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday, and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday.
- Fort Ashby Public Library, on Lincoln Street in Fort Ashby, West Virginia; library hours are 12:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., Monday - Thursday, and 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., 1:00-4:00 p.m.,

As part of the EE/CA public review, the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Atlantic Division, and the Naval Sea Systems Command invite members of the public to attend a meeting being held on December 12, 1995, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in Building 300 at the Allegany Ballistics Laboratory, State Route 956, Rocket Center, West Virginia. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with an opportunity to offer comments about the Draft EE/CA document, to obtain more information about the proposed removal action, and to participate in the decision-making process.

Written comments also may be submitted by January 4, 1996, to:

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